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SUBJ: REQUEST OF PHILIPPINE FINANCE SECRETARY FOR MEETING

WITH UNDERSECRETARY CASEY OR ASSISTANT SECRETARY
ARMSTRONG

BEGIN SUMMARY: PHILIPPINE FINANCE SECRETARY CESAR
VIRATA WILL BE IN WASHINGTON FROM JULY 26 TO AUGUST 1
AND WISHES TO MEET WITH UNDERSECRETARY CASEY OR
ASSISTANT SECRETARY ARMSTRONG. MISSION BELIEVES
MEETINGS OF GREAT POTENTIAL INTEREST ON BOTH SIDES AT
THIS TIME. ACTION REQUESTED: IN ORDER NOTIFY VIRATA
PRIOR HIS DEPARTURE JULY 25, MISSION WOULD APPRECIATE
INDICATION WHETHER MEETING OR MEETINGS POSSIBLE AND
INDICATION DESIRABLE TIMES. END SUMMARY.

1. IN COURSE OF QUERY TO CHARGE ABOUT PROSPECTS FOR
U.S. TRADE LEGISLATION PHILIPPINE FINANCE SECRETARY CESAR
VIRATA SAID HE PLANS TO BE IN WASHINGTON FROM JULY 26
TO AUGUST 1. IT SUGGESTED THAT VIRATA MIGHT WISH
DISCUSS THESE AND OTHER MATTERS WITH UNDERSECRETARY
CASEY OR ASSISTANT SECRETARY ARMSTRONG DURING HIS
WASHINGTON VISIT. VIRATA SAID HE WOULD WELCOME SUCH AN OPPOR-
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TUNITY AND WOULD CABLE PHILIPPINE EMBASSY TO PURSUE MATTER.

2. EMBASSY STRONGLY SUPPORTS VIRATA INTEREST, WHICH
KNOWN TO BE RELATED NOT ONLY TO PROSPECTS FOR U.S.
TRADE LEGISLATION, BUT ALSO TO PENDING NEGOTIATIONS
RELATING TO END LAUREL-LANGLEY AS WELL AS PLANNED
PHILIPPINE ACCESSION TO GATT.
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